

# **SEC. 812. DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE IMPROVEMENTS**

(a) **SELECTION CRITERIA FOR ACQUISITION CORPS AND FOR CRITICAL ACQUISITION POSITIONS-** (1) Section 1732(b) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking paragraph (1) and redesignating paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) as paragraphs (1), (2), and (3), respectively.

(2) Section 1733(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended in subparagraph (A) by striking `in a position within grade GS-14 or above of the General Schedule,' and inserting `in a senior position in the National Security Personnel System, as determined in accordance with guidelines prescribed by the Secretary,'.

(b) **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS-** Section 1742 of such title is amended--

- (1) by inserting `(a) PROGRAMS- ' at the beginning of the text; and
- (2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

`(b) **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS-** Each recipient of a scholarship under a program conducted under subsection (a)(3) shall be required to sign a written agreement that sets forth the terms and conditions of the scholarship. The agreement shall be in a form prescribed by the Secretary and shall include terms and conditions, including terms and conditions addressing reimbursement in the event that a recipient fails to fulfill the requirements of the agreement, that are comparable to those set forth as a condition for providing advanced education assistance under section 2005. The obligation to reimburse the United States under an agreement under this subsection is, for all purposes, a debt owing the United States.'.

(c) **AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS-** (1) Section 1764(b) of such title is amended--

- (A) by redesignating paragraph (5) as paragraph (6); and
- (B) by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph (5):

- `(5) Deputy program manager.'

(2) Paragraph (1) of such section is amended by striking `in paragraph (5)' and inserting `in paragraph (6)'.